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## House Resolution No. 2097

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives occasionally pause in their diverse legislative endeavors in order to recognize such outstanding Missouri residents as John Cowden at momentous times in their lives and careers; and

**Whereas**, John W. Cowden will receive a Congenial Counselor Award from the Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association at that organization's 35th Annual Bench-Bar & Boardroom Conference, which will be held from May 1 to May 3, 2008, at centrally located Tan-Tar-A Resort at Lake of the Ozarks; and

**Whereas**, John Cowden was selected for a Congenial Counselor Award in light of his professional gallantry, peacemaking, harmony, and friendship; and

**Whereas**, John Cowden earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Missouri State University and a Juris Doctorate from the University of Missouri-Columbia; and

Whereas, John Cowden served as an Assistant Attorney General for the state of Missouri; a United States Army JAG officer; and an associate with Morrison, Hecker, Curtis, Kuder & Parrish before becoming a member and Executive Committee member of Baker Sterchi Cowden & Rice:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the well-deserved selection of John Cowden for a Congenial Counselor Award from the Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association and to convey this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes for continued personal and professional success for many more years to come; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for presentation to John W. Cowden.

Offered by	
•	Representative Bryan Pratt, District No. 55
	Representative John Burnett, District No. 40
	Representative Brian Yates, District No. 56
	Representative Tim Flook, District No. 34
	Representative Jason Grill, District No. 32
	Representative Mike Talboy, District No. 37
I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 2097, adopted April 22, 2008.	
Rod Jetton,	Speaker